

*Knowle Cricket Club*

# KNOWLE STARS

## Programme Information

Summer 2026



# Why we are changing from All Stars & Dynamos

## We are changing to Knowle Stars as we want:

1. Our junior pathway to be focused on developing Knowle Junior and Senior cricketers of the future, both male and female
2. To ensure our junior programme develops players for hardball cricket in a fun, safe and controlled way
  - *for those that are ready, our programme will begin to introduce a hardball in week 10 of the Under 9s age group and continue to build confidence in risk adverse manner thereafter*
3. To manage a programme that we can continually adapt for the benefit of Knowle Cricket Club
4. Lower, more focused participant numbers streamlined across age groups, allowing coaching to be targeted, nurturing development
5. To build on All Stars & Dynamos successes, continue to encourage parent participation in sessions, retaining ECB principles but with our own session plans
6. Embed a Knowle Cricket Club identity on children and families from the very first session

# How is the Programme Structured?

3 x Age Groups each with a tailored 12 session programme

## Twinkle Stars: School Years 1 & 2

### DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES:

- ★ Fun and engagement
- ★ Movement patterns, coordination, & confidence
- ★ Introduce and reinforce technique lightly and consistently
- ★ Build great cricketing habits now

### OUTCOMES:

- ✓ Strong hand-eye coordination and motor skills
- ✓ Understanding of key cricket roles (batting, bowling, fielding)
- ✓ Basic technique in all areas
- ✓ Introduction to match play and teamwork
- ✓ Increased attention span and listening skills
- ✓ Strong foundations for later transition into hardball cricket

## Shooting Stars: School Years 3 & 4

### DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES:

- ★ Fun and engagement
- ★ Movement patterns, coordination, balance, & confidence.
- ★ Introduce and reinforce technique lightly and consistently
- ★ Avoid rushing into hardball gear; build safe habits & foundation skills
- ★ Encourage teamwork, listening, and decision-making
- ★ Create positive experiences to foster long-term love of the game

### OUTCOMES:

- ✓ Strong hand-eye coordination and motor skills
- ✓ Competent batting, bowling, and fielding techniques
- ✓ Basic technique in all areas
- ✓ Awareness of basic cricket rules and match tactics
- ✓ Introduction to safe hardball cricket techniques (techniques will not be at a level where protective gear is required)
- ✓ Confidence & teamwork for progression into hardball cricket

## Knowle Rockets: School Years 5 & 6

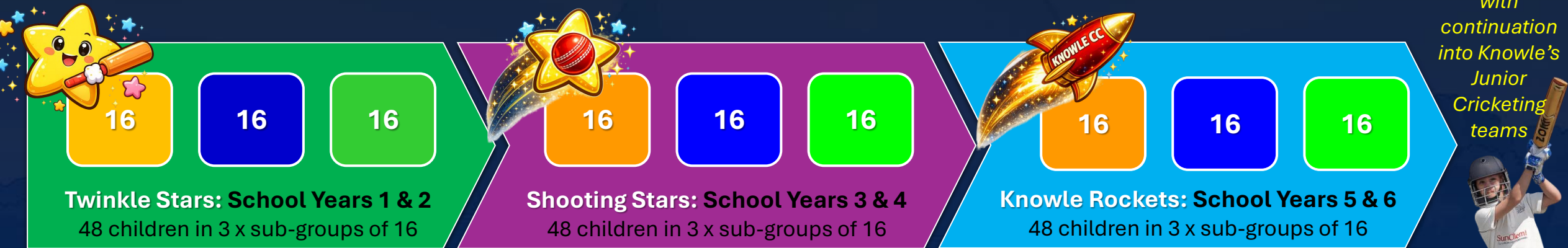
### DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES:

- ★ Continue the focusing on enjoyment
- ★ Develop technical consistency and early tactical thinking
- ★ Encourage independence: setting up nets, scoring, captaining
- ★ Reinforce good habits: warm-ups, cool-downs, safety checks, communication
- ★ Integrate simple match analysis and reflection after games

### OUTCOMES:

- ✓ Safe and confident use of hardball equipment
- ✓ Solid batting, bowling, and fielding techniques under pressure
- ✓ Understanding of basic field positions and tactics
- ✓ Ability to play short-format matches independently
- ✓ Teamwork, communication, and sporting behaviour under match conditions

# Programme Structure: Age Groups & Numbers



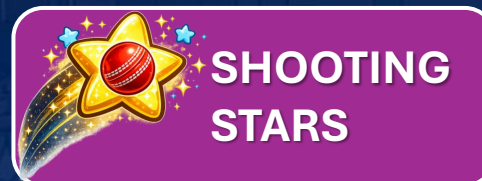
## HOW THIS WILL WORK:

- We aim to balance numbers of registered players proportionality across all School Years
- This means there will be an initial 24 spaces available for registration per School Year
- These numbers will adjust if we are unable to fill the spaces for a specific School Year
- Spaces will be available to those that have registered interested in the programme by email and will then open publicly on a first come first served basis
- Unfortunately, the programme will not be open to Reception Year children, but we look forward to welcoming them when they reach Year 1
- We will operate a waiting list for those that miss out on registration. The waiting list will be called from if participants drop out or are continuously absent

# When will it run?



- All age groups will run a 12 week programme!
- First session Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May
- Last session Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July



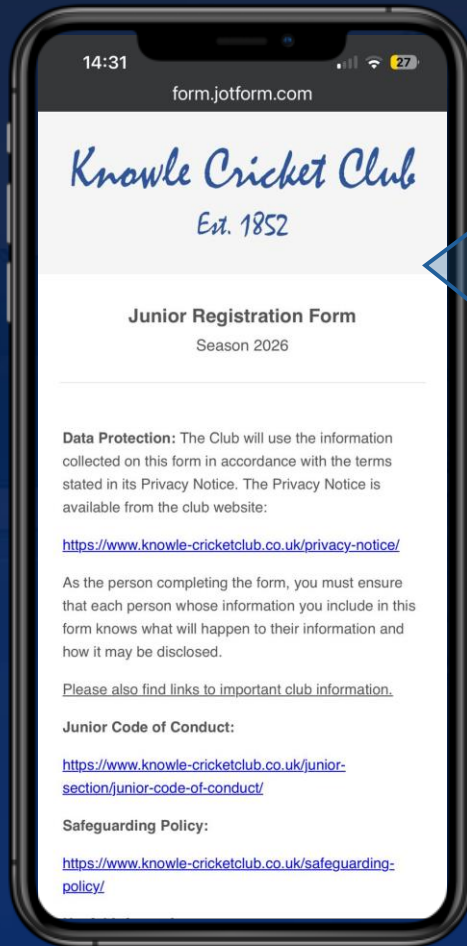
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**ALL SESSIONS ARE WEATHER DEPENDENT!**

# Pricing & Registration Info



- Registration will be available online
- Price per child is £55 with £5 discount per additional sibling
- Quotas will limit registration by School year on a first come first served basis
- General registration will open on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

**ALL CRICKET EQUIPMENT  
WILL BE SUPPLIED FOR  
SESSIONS**



Welcome Pack  
including T-Shirt for  
registered Knowle  
Stars  
Final Items TBC

# Questions?

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